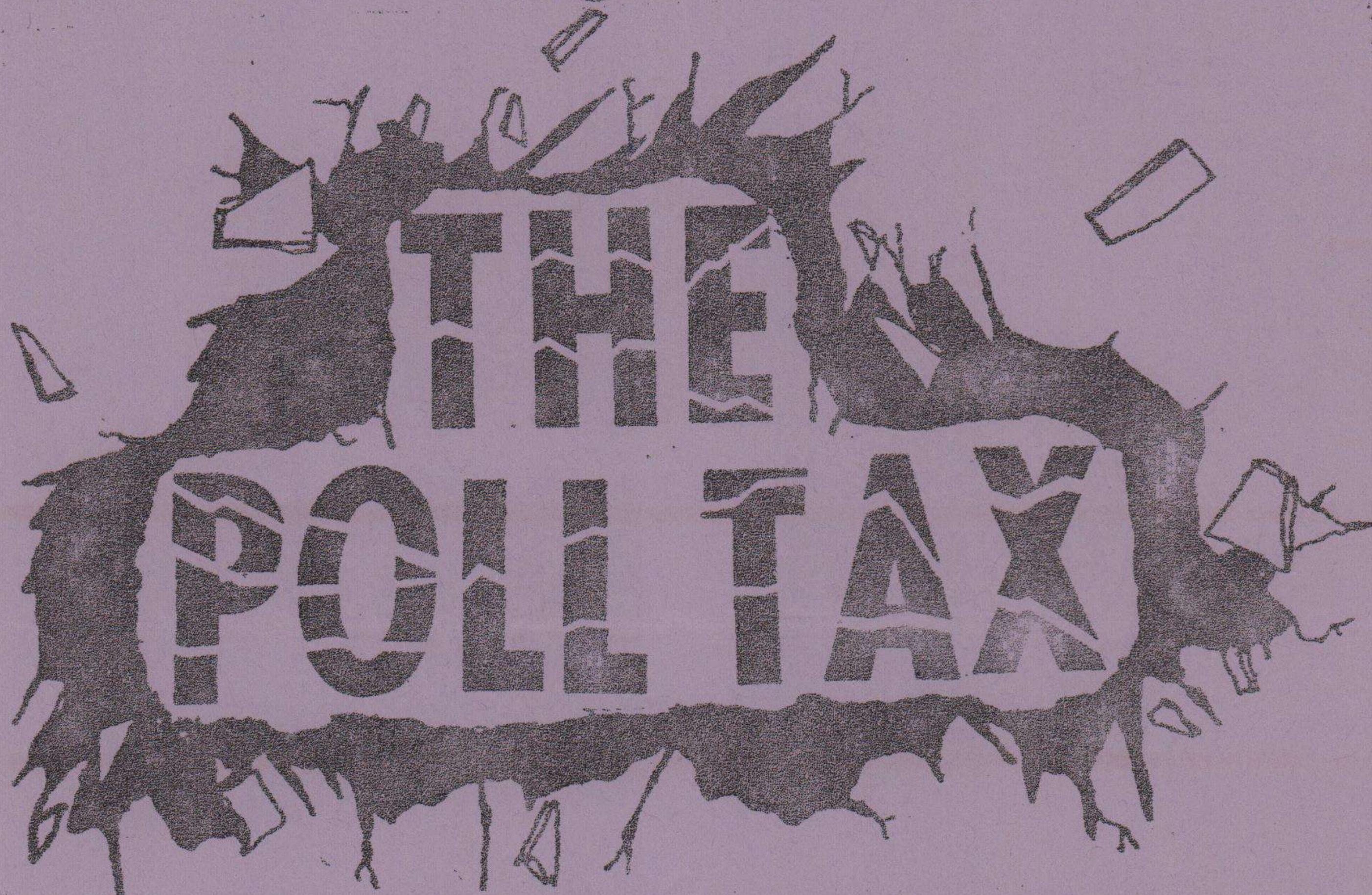


# PUBLIC MEETING

against



speakers and discussion

7.30pm. WED. OCTOBER 4th.

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ALL HACKNEY RESIDENTS, WORKERS, GROUPS, OR INDIVIDUALS WELLCOME  
TO COME AND JOIN, IN A DISCUSSION ON HOW TO FIGHT THE  
POLL TAX. - CRECHE FACILITYS WILL BE AVAILABLE -

## WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT IT?

Mass non-payment will effectively cripple the Poll Tax. If enough of us refuse to pay, it will become unworkable. All across the country 1000s of people have avoided registering and are pledging not to pay the Poll Tax with 100s of local groups organising to make the Tax unworkable. From tenants groups to workers in Town Halls and benefit offices the message is clear: "If we stick together the Poll Tax will be beaten!"

## HOW CAN WE ORGANISE?

The best way is by everyone in each street or block of flats or workplace getting together and forming an Anti-Poll Tax Group. The local group could then:-

- organise local meetings about the Poll Tax;
- link up with other groups;
- hold street stalls to spread the word to as many people as possible;
- everyone to display a No Poll Tax poster in our windows to show we're fighting together.

This combined with a boycott of the Poll Tax by council workers can defeat the government and their hated tax.

Speakers and more information available

Local contact:

or contact: Hackney Solidarity Group, The Fire Station, 61 Leswin Rd, N16.

# CAN'T PAY! WON'T PAY!

## THE POLL TAX (Community Charge)

### WHAT IS THE POLL TAX?

The Poll Tax is a local tax replacing the rates system which was based on the value of our property. The Poll Tax is entirely unrelated to either this or our income. Everyone over 18 (with a few exceptions) will be liable to pay.

### HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

Different boroughs will have different charges, based on local council spending. eg in 1994 a couple living in a flat in Hackney will pay £578 each, while a yuppie living alone in a large house in Redbridge will only pay £169 (Government figures). The hardest hit will be those living in the poorest boroughs, those who are least able to afford it.

### WHO WILL HAVE TO PAY IT?

Almost everyone is expected to pay. Even pensioners will have to pay it. People on the dole will be expected to pay 20% of the new charge from their giros. If you can't afford it, they don't care. People failing to pay will be taken to court and may have their possessions sold to get the money.